



2026 Iowa Geothermal Association Annual Conference
Geothermal Energy: The Future is Underground
Sponsored by Plumb Supply
January 20-21, 2026
The Hotel at Kirkwood Center
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Monday, January 19

4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Exhibitor Set Up

Tuesday, January 20

7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Registration Desk Open - Atrium

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast – Ballroom**
Sponsored by NIPCO

8:30 a.m. **Vendor & Sponsor Introductions**
Tom Rutkowski, IGA President

9:00 a.m. **Will Geo Survive – Insight into Federal Policies**
Ryan Dougherty, President, GEO Exchange

10:00 a.m. **Break – Visit with Exhibitors – Atrium**
Sponsored by Hydropump

10:15 a.m. **DNR Update**
Erik Day, Sr. Environmental Specialist
Daniel Watterson
1 HR DNR Well Contractor CEU

11:15 a.m. IGA Annual Business Meeting, Tom Rutkowski, IGA President

11:30 a.m. **Lunch - Ballroom**
Sponsored by Bosch

	CEU Track	CEU Track	Non-CEU Track	
Time	Ballroom A	Ballroom F	Tippie Event Room	Exhibit Hall
12:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.	Electrical Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scott Meineke, Iowa Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives 2 HR Safety Code	Basics of HDPE Fusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Falkena, Fred's Heating & Plumbing Rob Braun, Industrial Sales 2 HR Mechanical Code 2 HR HVAC/R Discipline	3rd Party Ownership/Loop Leasing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ryan Dougherty, Geo Exchange 	OPEN



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2:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Break - Refreshments in Atrium Sponsored by Hydropump				
3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	CSA-448 Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff Hammond, IGSHPA 	Geothermal Retrofitting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff Hurst, Connor Company 2 HR HVAC/R Discipline	Geo 101 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeremiah Strode, Director of Cooperative Engagement, Geothermal Exchange Organization <hr/> Showcasing Geo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Rutkowski, E & J Geothermal Chance Wahl, Mort's Plumbing & Heating	OPEN
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Reception with Exhibitors – Atrium Laynards Sponsored by NDS Drilling				



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Wednesday, January 21

7:15 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast Buffet - Ballroom**
Sponsored by Cornbelt Power Cooperative

7:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Exhibit Hall Open – Atrium

	CEU Track	CEU Track	Non-CEU Track	
Time	Ballroom A	Ballroom F	Tippie Event Room	Exhibit Hall
7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.	Avoiding Common Errors in the Plumbing Code <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lee Maier, CEU Authority 2 HR Plumbing Code		Out of the Box Geo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boyd Lee, Oustide the Box GEO 	OPEN
9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Break – Refreshments in Atrium Sponsored by Central Iowa Power Cooperative				
	CEU Track	CEU Track	Non-CEU Track	
Time	Ballroom A	Ballroom F	Tippie Event Room	Exhibit Hall
9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.	Troubleshooting What Happened to My Geothermal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jeff Hurst, Connor Company 2 HR HVAC/R Discipline	2021 IMC Code Chapters 4&5 Ventilation and Exhaust Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Falkena, Fred's Plumbing and Heating 2 HR Mechanical Code	How To Promote GEO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stephanie Wiese, West Central REC Jeremy Madden, Iowa Lakes REC Aaron Healy, Eatern Iowa Power & Light 	Tear down at 10:00 a.m.